

## CHAPTER 323.

**An act to change the time of holding the September term of Duplin superior court.***The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact :*

SECTION 1. That chapter 180 of the laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five be amended by striking out in the fourth line of the clause of section first of said chapter headed "Duplin," under the division headed "sixth district," the word "September," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "August."

Chapter 180, laws 1885, amended.

Court to be held first Monday in August.

SEC. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 9th day of March, A. D. 1889.

## CHAPTER 324.

**An act relating to roads and highways.***The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact :*

SECTION 1. That all roads which have been laid out or appointed by virtue of an act of assembly, or any order of court, are hereby declared to be public roads, and all roads and bridges heretofore laid out or appointed shall be established in accordance with the provisions of chapter fifty, volume one of The Code.

What shall be public roads.

Bridges.

SEC. 2. That all able-bodied male persons between the ages of twenty-one and forty, except such as are now exempt by law, shall be required to work on the public roads two days in each year, and shall be assigned to the several sections of roads as now provided by law.

Who required to work on roads.

SEC. 3. That the justices of the peace in each township shall have the supervision and control of the public roads in their respective townships, and they shall, with respect to this work, constitute and be styled the "board of supervisors of public roads" of such township, and under that name and for the purposes hereinafter provided they are hereby incorporated the board of supervisors of public roads.

Justices to be "boards of supervisors of public roads" in their respective townships.

Incorporated.

SEC. 4. That all roads shall be twenty feet wide, no more nor less, with a space on each side of five feet to allow room for a ditch or drain, which shall not cross the road-bed, unless when the depression is so great as to make it unavoidable, in which case there shall be constructed a culvert or bridge extending entirely across the road, and the entire road-bed shall be sufficiently elevated to allow free drainage to either side of the road, except on hill-sides where a ditch is needed only on the upper side; and the road-bed shall at all times

Roads, how constructed, &amp;c.